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THE TROUBLES IN BERLIN.

It is true that the disturbances in Berlin are not the outcome of a studied plan of revolution. They are the sudden outbursts of a spirit of discontent fostered by a long bearing of burdens which are felt to be unjustly imposed upon the workmen of the nation.

But the manifestations are not less ominous and portentous because they have come so abruptly and, even to many of the people engaged in them, so unexpectedly. They are the more dangerous from this very reason; since they indicate, in place of the existence of a political conspiracy, which might be broken up by the selection of its leaders, the growth and strength of a feeling among the masses of the people that the day for absolutism in government and its accompanying necessities of taxation is drawing to a close.

This feeling cannot be crushed by force of arms. Such force would, rather, aggravate it. The momentary repulse of a rioting crowd would not signify the conquering of the spirit actuating the throng in its movements.

The Kaiser's great standing army is a necessity because of the prevailing form of his own and other Governments of Europe. It can crush internal dissensions of the Empire, to a degree, as well as it can repel the invasion of a foreign foe. But the maintenance of this army also imposes some of the burdens which have led to the troubles in Berlin, and the use of it to quell these conflicts, thus far discreetly avoided, might lead to sweeping results all through Europe.

The Kaiser is faced by an alarming crisis. Even if there should be no further rioting at present, he and his counselors of State have a grave problem on their hands for earnest study.

Thoughts of local reform and other ordinary affairs of earth are for the moment side-tracked in Philadelphia. At the first public walk in that town a Quaker City belle and beau have carried all the honors for grace, style and dignity. New York, Camden and Baltimore manliness and beauty having picked up their heels in vain attempts to lead the procession. It is useless to attempt at this juncture to impress upon the citizens of Wanamackville the utterance of the primitive philosopher of old that "all is vanity."

One \$5,000 suit has been begun and several more are in preparation over the loss of life at the Hotel Royal fire. Money for poor compensation for the loss of husband, wife or friend; but if these suits should chance to be successful to any exemplary degree the results might assist the law in impressing upon hotel proprietors in general some measure of their responsibility in the matter of making their hostilities as safe as modern appliances will permit.

Certainly New York wants more East River bridges. But it does not want valuable franchises snatched from its control through legislative jobbery and presented free of charge to corporations which are endowed with almost limitless powers and exempted almost entirely from any sort of accountability.

An accused clergyman in New Hampshire won't own up to stolen kisses. And why should he? The law so provides that not even in petty larceny need a man so testify as to incriminate himself.

An Illinois professor has dug up grains of corn supposed to be two thousand years old. To give a real tasty turn to his discovery, many scientific men will consider that the relics should be in the form of carefully bottled extract of corn, aged as above.

"From people who mean business" was the response of Assemblyman Rice, of Ulster, yesterday when Sullivan, of New York, asked him where he got the bill providing for a railway on Fifth avenue. People who mean business will be still further heard from in regard to Mr. Rice's innocent little bill.

The spectacle of Ross Platt, of Oswego and New York, backing Mikado Gleason, of Long Island City, is one to move the gods, the little fishes and the big whales of politics.

Dear me! Mine, James's trunks have been rifled. The loss is small, but the advertisement great.

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THE COSTUMES FOR LENT.

Studies in Gray, Black, Purple or Lilac, with Gloves to Match.

Short Bodices Again in Favor—Other Fashion Notes.

The Lenten costume is a study in black, gray, purple or lilac, with gloves to match and touches of white lace, violets or doves' wings in the hat or bonnet. Fashion permits the sweet devotees to wear Persian lamb and seal skin furs, and hats of ostrich, the or cocks' feathers. Violets, either in the dark or light shade, are always regarded as suitable for Lenten mourning; and thistle pods, with their white, fluffy bloom, and the other parts carried out in black, are among the newest of Lenten blossoms. Seriously, however, it is a mistake to turn the clock back for these vagaries since they are but bread and butter, meat and cake into the mouths of countless seamstresses, designers, clerks and florists.

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THE STORY OF A SHIRT.

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AFTER THE HARMONY PRIMARY.

Brodsky Claimed to Be the Real Winner in the Eighth.

Schurmann's Apparent Victory in Choosing Committeemen.

Harmony and Peace (with capital letters) have done their work in the Eighth Assembly District Republican organization. The compromise ticket agreed on by the rival leaders, John E. Brodsky and Gustav A. Schurmann, has been unanimously elected. Schurmann, J. Brodsky and "Drummer Boy Gus" have shaken hands before the representatives of the County Committee, and quiet has reigned in political "Little Warsaw" for one day at least.

Now, it is said, is to come the lining of Discussion and Discard.

Schurmann has named eighteen of the thirty-four men who, as members of the County Committee, will name the District Executive Committeemen, but Brodsky's partisans are already giving out that Schurmann will find his choice badly in the cases of at least two of these men, and "that" when they meet to select the new leader of the district organization, Brodsky will be returned by a large majority and affairs will be in practically the same shape in "de nugit" as if no Harmony Primary had been held.

At yesterday's primary Schurmann was elected as the district executive, and the Brodsky men chosen were Theodore F. Kuhl, first Vice-President; Martin Zingel, Secretary, and August Zingel, Treasurer.

POLITICAL POTPOURRI.

Ident. Gov. Roosevelt is at the Hoffman House.

A bill was introduced in the Maryland House yesterday to make voting compulsory in that State on points of time.

Republicans and Democrats joined in honoring Senator Wilson at a dinner given at Eason, Mid last night.

Baltimore Prohibition leaders characterize the St. Louis Convention and its platform as a heterogeneous gathering of all sorts of people.

It is announced in Washington that Representative William L. Wilson may become the gubernatorial candidate of the Democrats of West Virginia.

Edward Kearney, one of Tammany Hall's bright lights in the recent Assembly election, has been named the recipient of Secretary War Stephen D. Felt's \$40,000 West Fifth Avenue street. The price paid was \$42,500.

The Democratic National Committee organization is not materializing, and it is suggested that it should not care to the theme is to the policy of the nation which has been the result of the action of the Albany Convention.

Only by the time it responded to the call to form a full club to Committee, the Club, which was postponed until next week, the Club, is not yet organized and is expected to announce themselves for Cleveland and Springfield.

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